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Improvement Division

SUBJECT: Intelligence Community Review
of Political Reporting on China

25X1 1. [redacted] Attached are minutes of the 8 September meeting at the [redacted] to discuss 25X1 political reporting on China on the basis of [redacted] 25X1 study concerning intelligence coverage of Chinese leadership developments, 1965-1975.

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Attachment:
Minutes of China Leadership Conference,
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PURPOSE: To discuss paper entiled, "An Appraisal of Intelligence Sources and Analyses in the Fall of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and in the Rise of Hua Kuo-feng"

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BACKGROUND: The paper was drafted in connection with an IC Staff assessment of intelligence reporting on China. The objective of this effort has been to determine if any deficiencies exist in the processing of intelligence on China, particularly in finished intelligence reports. Based upon detailed analysis of intelligence assessments of leadership succession and politics in China during the period 1965 - 1975, we hope to arrive at useful judgments on how intelligence might best be developed in terms of future events.

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